

Letter Progress Report #10

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Dear Barry,

This Letter Progress Report (LPR) provides a summary of activities undertaken on the MMS study entitled *World-Wide Survey of Dredging Impacts on Commercial and Recreational Fisheries and Analysis of Available Mitigation Measures to Protect and Preserve Resources* for the period April 18th 2006 through till June 30th 2006.

An opportunity for an informal update presented itself through John Petterson's attendance at MMS Information Transfer Meeting on the 20th -22nd June 2006 in Florida

Information is provided against the following headings.

- (1) status of deliverables;
- (2) budget status report summary;
- (3) problems encountered and resolution status; and
- (4) planned activities for the subsequent reporting period.

(1) Status of Deliverables

Task 1 (World-wide Literature Search):

As per Progress Report #9 - The world-wide literature search has been completed and a summary report produced. This will be included in the final project report as an Annex.

Task 2 (Government Regulations Identification).

The identification of government regulations relevant to marine sand mining has been completed and will be fully reported in the final project report.

Task 4 (Site Visits to Fishing, Industry and Government Interests).

Site visits to representatives of the fishing industry, dredging industry and government interests have been undertaken previously and reported in earlier progress reports.

Task 5 (Fieldwork aboard fishing vessels).

Fieldwork has been undertaken at the second US analogue site during this reporting period.

Task 6 (Fieldwork aboard dredging vessels).

Fieldwork has been undertaken at the second US analogue site during this reporting period.

Task 7 (Draft Report)

A provisional draft of the second analogue case study has been prepared by IAI during this reporting period. We understand that details of this study and draft report were included in a presentation given by John Petterson at MMS Information Transfer Meeting on the 20th -22nd June 2006 in Florida.

(2) Budget Status Report Summary

No invoice is attached for this reporting period. Emu time and costs during this period have been small and we have not received an invoice from IAI for their costs during this reporting period.

(3) Problems Encountered and Resolution Status

No problems have been encountered during this reporting period.

(4) Planned Activities

During this next reporting period it is intended to hold a formal project meeting via tele conference with John Petterson to discuss outstanding work and actions on the project.

We look forward to your review of this Letter Progress Report. Please let me know if additional information or clarification is required.

Yours Sincerely,

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